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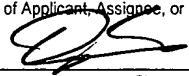
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 10/082,841
Applicant(s): Dennis H. MICHALSKI et al.
For: PURIFICATION OF PHOSPHORIC ACID PLANT POND
WATER
Confirmation No.: 1279
Customer No.: 26116
Docket No.: IMC-108A (49721/59702)
Filed: February 21, 2002
Group Art Unit: 1724
Examiner: Peter A. Hruskoci

MS NON-FEE AMENDMENT

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant hereby petitions that the period for response to the Office Action, dated October 1, 2003, be extended for one month to February 1, 2004.

A response to the Office Action, dated October 1, 2003, is filed concurrently herewith.

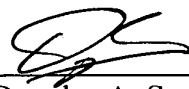
A Response Transmittal and Fee Authorization for the one month extension fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) is submitted herewith. In the event that the Response Transmittal and Fee Authorization is not present, is not sufficient, or is not acceptable,



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